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20-year plan sets new housing goals

by **CHAD INGRAM**
Times Staff

A new 20-year housing master plan for Haliburton County and the City of Kawartha Lakes calls for the creation of 5,500 new housing units between the two municipalities.

Haliburton County councillors were visited by Lisa Oliveira of the Housing Services Corporation, a provincial agency, and Hope Lee, manager of housing services for the City of Kawartha Lakes, during a meeting in late June. The City of Kawartha Lakes is the social services manager for Haliburton County, overseeing programming and administering funding.

Oliveira presented the plan, entitled From Housing Assets to Housing People, to councillors. It lays out housing goals for the area until 2041.

Chief among those goals is the creation of 5,500 new housing units during the next 22 years. That would mean 100 per year being created within the City of Kawartha Lakes, and 40 per year within the county.

These units need not necessarily be newly constructed, but could be created on redeveloped properties, or could include spaces such as secondary suites in existing detached

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Making a splash

Aurora Wesley, left, Hailey Switzer and Kaylee Smith cool off from the heat during the Kids, Cops and Canadian Tire Fishing Days event on Thursday, July 4 at Head Lake Park in Haliburton. More than 100 children participated in the community event, which included crafts, fishing, a boat ride and a barbecue lunch. More on page 5. /DARREN LUM Staff

Magnificent moths found at Barnum Creek

by **BELINDA GALLAGHER**
Special to the Times

THE SUN WAS bright and the mosquito count was down when we arrived at the latest Haliburton Highlands Land Trust Discovery Days event, Magnificent Moths. As we walked into the field, a gentleman poking around in the long

grass with digital camera in hand, greeted us warmly, "Come here, come here. We have just released some moths on a tree trunk. See if you can spot them."

It was the beginning of an exceptional morning at the newest of the Land Trust's nature reserves, Barnum Creek, located in Haliburton off Gelert Road.

My husband and I have attended dozens of "nature-based" workshops, hikes, talks

and walks and the majority of these events have been both entertaining and educational. But this event was more – it was utterly surprising.

The publicized description of the morning – "moth experts, moths released from live traps, slideshow, local moths" – while correct, missed the sense of wonder that shone

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Wait times up to seven years

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homes.

The numbers seemed steep to Dysart et al Mayor Andrea Roberts.

"I honestly don't know if that's overreaching, or if anyone else's eyes popped out at those numbers," Roberts said, adding that the private sector is often not interested in building affordable housing.

"Remember, the 40 [per year] are not brand new units," said Lee, stressing that number could include secondary suites and other programming.

County planner Charley White said those targets come from the county's official plan itself.

Minden Hills Mayor Brent Devolin said he thought the times were changing, and that private builders were becoming more interested in constructing affordable housing.

"The private providers, for the first time I recollect, are actually interested in including that as a component," Devolin said. "And that's a huge change in mindset."

As of December, there was a waiting list of 1,700 to access the 1,142 subsidized rental units that exist within the combined area of the county and the city. The average wait time is three to five years, and according to the city, those joining the wait list today could wait as long as seven. The turnover rate for affordable, subsidized housing has slowed in recent years, due to factors such as the climbing price of homes, rent, and new regulations making it more difficult to get a mortgage. It means people in the subsidized units are staying longer.

"In 2018, only 98 of the 1,142 units vacated," the plan reads.

While the highest demand is for one-bedroom units, they are in short supply, in both the county and the City of Kawartha Lakes.



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— MINDEN HILLS MAYOR BRENT DEVOLIN



The provincial government has made changes to the Housing Services Act aimed at improving access to housing. This has included the removal of an asset limit clause that Lee told councillors was found to have a negative impact on low-income seniors.

"The big one that has been talked about for years and years, is simplifying the rent-geared-to-income rules," Lee said.

For those living in rent-geared-to-income apartments, the process has included recalculating what that rent is as many as seven times a year, since any time something in the tenant's life changed – say they went back to school, for instance – the rental rate needed to be recalculated.

"Every time something changed, their rent would change," Lee said.

Now, there will be one, annual review.

Algonquin Highlands Mayor Carol Moffatt wondered if it seemed like any of those changes were going to make a real, tangible difference.

"Yes, they're going to start to do that, but it's not going to happen overnight," Lee said.

County residents can apply for a number of funding programs related to housing. A program that assists with renovations has had good uptake, county chief administrative officer Mike Rutter told councillors, adding the county could do better promotion of a secondary suites program.

Police investigating murder in Highlands East

The Haliburton Highlands OPP along with members of the OPP's crime unit and its forensics team are investigating a homicide that took place in Highlands East in the early morning hours of Saturday, July 6.

According to a release from the police, 58-year-old Robert Ferguson of Highlands East has been arrested and charged with second-degree murder and was scheduled to appear in court in Lindsay on July 8. OPP say there is no threat to public safety.

The deceased has been identified as 29-year-old Dylan Robert Dahlke of Dysart et al. The investigation is ongoing, and post-mortem examination was scheduled to take place in Toronto on July 8.

This marks the second homicide in Haliburton County in three weeks, as police continue to investigate a homicide that took place in Haliburton Village on June 18.

By Chad Ingram



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Nature's Place beaver exhibit makes learning fun

by SUE TIFFIN
Times Staff

After spending time at a new interactive exhibition devoted to beavers in Nature's Place, Minden's nature interpretive centre, children and their families will leave knowing a lot more about the ecosystem engineers and their importance to our environment.

"This is what we want to emphasize about them, that they are the creators of the wetlands, resulting in biodiverse habitats," said Laurie Carmount, Minden Hills Cultural Centre curator. "That is absolutely the most critical thing about beavers, we just cannot emphasize and underline it enough. To change people's attitude about beavers is really important. If you want fresh water and you want wetlands ... People [will say], oh, it's a rodent and there are so many of them around and they're going to flood your place. Yes, they're going to take down 200 trees, but there's a reason why they're doing that, and we should realize that we have to accommodate them and not the other way around, because they're going to bring about what we need."

At the first station in the exhibition, visitors can actually role-play as beavers, crafting a face mask and tail costume out of materials they can wear as they play and learn. After transforming into the rodent – among the largest in the world, often weighing more than small children themselves – kids can climb into a beaver lodge, constructed by Carmount, Mike Stamp and local artist Chris Hanson.

"The people in the community are super great, everyone has come forward periodically and said, we have to do this, or we have to try that," said Carmount. "It's totally what we needed to bring this all together."

Inside the lodge, kids-turned-beavers can explore with sticks, a furry beaver puppet, and watch short videos on the beaver that are also projected on a wall outside the lodge for adults to take in.

"The films are really good because they're simplistic, but they really get the sense from that as to how important [beavers] are," said Carmount.

Carmount is visibly excited about the exhibition and what it offers, and has carefully thought out details surrounding the lodge that include a display featuring R.D. Lawrence's book, *Paddy*, a story about the naturalist author's experiences raising an orphan beaver, as well as original sketches of Lawrence's; a leather tail that mimics the warning sound created by a beaver's tail when it slaps on the water's surface; and the sound of running water that motivates beavers to work. A model beaver dam kit activity offers visitors the



Laurie Carmount, curator at Minden Hills Cultural Centre, hopes visitors to Nature's Place will learn about the importance of the beaver as an ecosystem engineer with a new, interactive exhibition opened at the nature interpretive centre that includes a beaver dam open to small explorers. /SUE TIFFIN Staff

chance to try to recreate what a beaver does to hold water back, similar to when the turtle exhibition kept kids busy with a tunnel building station.

"We're trying to make it as interactive as possible, because we've come to realize computers are not the thing," said Carmount. "Kids are not interested so much in doing everything with computers, which everyone thought would be the case. They love interactive. Something where you're making, putting together, building ... we had the turtle tunnels here, they'd be there forever. They wouldn't even look at the iPads. The iPads didn't matter to them, they have them everywhere, but building a turtle tunnel, oh yeah."

"It's 100 per cent interactive, the kids can be in there, hope-

fully they'll learn some aspect of it when they walk away," said Carmount.

Nature's Place also showcases exhibitions for children and adults alike on the issues facing bees, turtles and bats; global food issues and how they affect us locally; a mineral display and an augmented reality hands-on sandbox, as well as an upcoming display on activist Greta Thunberg's advocacy for action to combat climate change.

Nature's Place nature interpretive centre is located at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre at 176 Bobcaygeon Road, and is open Thursday, Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission is by donation.

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1. Deem Lands to be Surplus and pass By-laws authorizing alternative disposition and executing such transfer.
2. Execute Site Plan Agreement for Kawartha Lakes Haliburton Housing Corporation (KLHHC) Development, Phase II.
3. Execute a Memorandum of Understanding for Land Use Permission with Haliburton County Snowmobile Association (HCSA).
4. To proceed into Closed Session for the purpose of discussing two (2) items pursuant to section 239(2) (d) of the Municipal Act, 2001 as amended regarding labour relations or employee negotiations.

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Canoe FM programmer wins station's first award

by VANESSA BALINTEC
Times Staff

On-air host of Tuesday Night Sessions David Mair received the Best Indie and Rock Music Award for his program from the National Campus and Community Radio Association, marking the first official award Canoe FM has taken home. The award was announced during the NCRA conference from June 3-6, which saw representatives from 37 stations come together.

"When you get something like this happening, this award coming in, it's a bit of a shock," said Mair, who also hosts Fish Fry Saturday Night on Canoe. "I wasn't expecting it, it was right out of the blue. For about three or four days I've been trying to think about words there are that I feel... and I guess [it's] flattering, you're gratified, you're humbled. There's a bunch of different words and none of them I've found yet are really the right one. But you know, it's a great feeling."

Mair's program showcases music from musicians, producers and studios and has listeners learn more about their biographies and stories from their career. Ron Murphy, Canoe FM studio engineer, says it was Mair's unique show and his natural confidence on air that helped him win the award.

"Dave's got a lot of knowledge," said Murphy. "The way he presents himself so confident on the air, and he's got a little bit of a background in radio. We're lucky to have him. He puts a lot of research into his shows. He works hard at it."

Mair says it takes weeks to get from the conception of an idea to the finished writ-



David Mair holds his award given to him by the National Campus and Community Radio Association for Best Indie and Rock Music. Mair, who's retired, resides in Aurora but has a cottage in Haliburton County where he spends time year-round. /VANESSA BALINTEC Staff

ten show. His hard work and dedication to his program showed the staff how much he loved being on air.

"For the longest time, he would drive up from Aurora to the station here coming in at 9 o'clock at night," said station manager Roxanne Casey. "He drove for a couple years, every single Tuesday night, and hardly ever missed."

Mair is grateful that the spirit and drive behind the Canoe volunteer team gives him the

opportunity to get creative with radio.

"Someone answering phones, or typing out letters, regardless of what it is, they're all valuable contributions to make this station as successful as it is," said Mair, who's been programming for close to seven years. "They create the whole atmosphere and allow people like me to do what I like."

"It's in my head," he said about his creativity and passion for music. "Thank goodness that Canoe's given me an outlet."

Although his passion for music and radio have been present throughout his life, it's support from the community that helps motivate him to continue.

"Radio can be like a vacuum," said Mair, who dabbled in radio as a young adult in Oshawa. "You're talking into this microphone, and you really don't know if the person on the other end is about to fall asleep, or whether they're getting up to turn the radio up. You really don't know. You're working in that vacuum, and you get little pats on the back, a call every now and then from a local listener, and those are the kind of things that keep you going."

Casey said this award from the NCRA, which has received hundreds of submissions since the award beginnings in 1993, has the potential to inspire confidence in other hosts within the station to submit their own programming.

"I think we sometimes forget that we are as good as the rest of them," said Casey. "Some of the hosts don't want to put their programming forward because they think 'Oh well, we're just a little community radio station.' But in the whole scheme of things, we're a pretty great community radio station, and we're well respected throughout the country in campus and community stations."

Mair hopes this brings more attention and volunteers into the station.

"Maybe it'll bring a little bit more attention to Canoe," he said. "Maybe next time they'll look at some of the other shows that are submitted that I think are great shows. Maybe it'll encourage some other folks, listeners who are maybe on the fence. You can have a lot of fun doing it."

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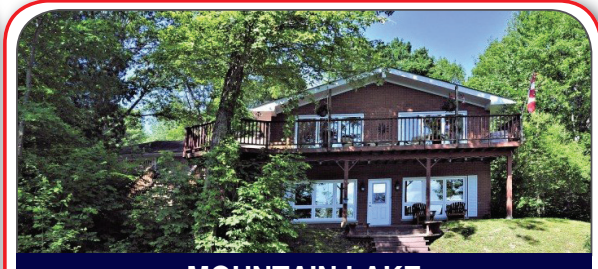
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IDON'T REMEMBER the first time I went to Highlands Cinemas. It would have been in the 1980s. I would have gone as a kid with my family during a visit to the cottage. It was likely to see a *Ghostbusters* or *Peewee Herman* movie, or something of the sort. The memory is fuzzy and inexact and comes in little snapshots, small flashes from a now-long-ago childhood.

I wouldn't go again until I moved to Haliburton County in my mid-20s. Returning to the theatre, there was still something familiar about it. Probably because the icon that Keith Stata has built on a hillside on the outskirts of Kinmount is so singularly unique, not unlike the man himself.

The theatre had of course grown since I was there as a kid.

As was mentioned in a feature on Highlands Cinemas' 40th anniversary last week, over time, Keith added to the original theatre, creating what is today a five-screen multiplex attached to his home.

Of course, going to the movies in Kinmount is about much more than the movies themselves. It's about the whole experience. Keith has amassed a gargantuan collection of memorabilia and antiques, from posters to props to film projectors, that form the theatre's museum. This collection, paying tribute to a century of Hollywood film, coupled with the decor and smell of popcorn, create a vintage atmosphere full of nostalgia. In a world of sterile, corporate cineplexes, Highlands Cinemas is a glimpse of the gilded sheen that was once such a central part of the movie-going experience.

"When cinemas were first designed," Stata said in the story, "theatres were really the cathedrals of the motion picture, decorated with gold, marble, velvet. The guy who didn't have very much could go to this cathedral, this grandeur and watch this flicker on the screen, and hopefully identify with something he saw, and leave with a good memory."

That essence is still alive in Kinmount, and certainly generations of people over the past 40 years

have formed great memories there. While other smaller, independent theatres in places like Minden, Haliburton Village and Fenelon Falls have faded to black, Keith soldiers on.

There was a point a few years ago where the technological evolution

of the film industry presented him with a stark choice – spend hundreds of thousands of dollars converting his projectors to digital format, or close. Luckily for us, Keith chose the former, and we can still look forward to that marquee coming alive and those doors opening each spring.

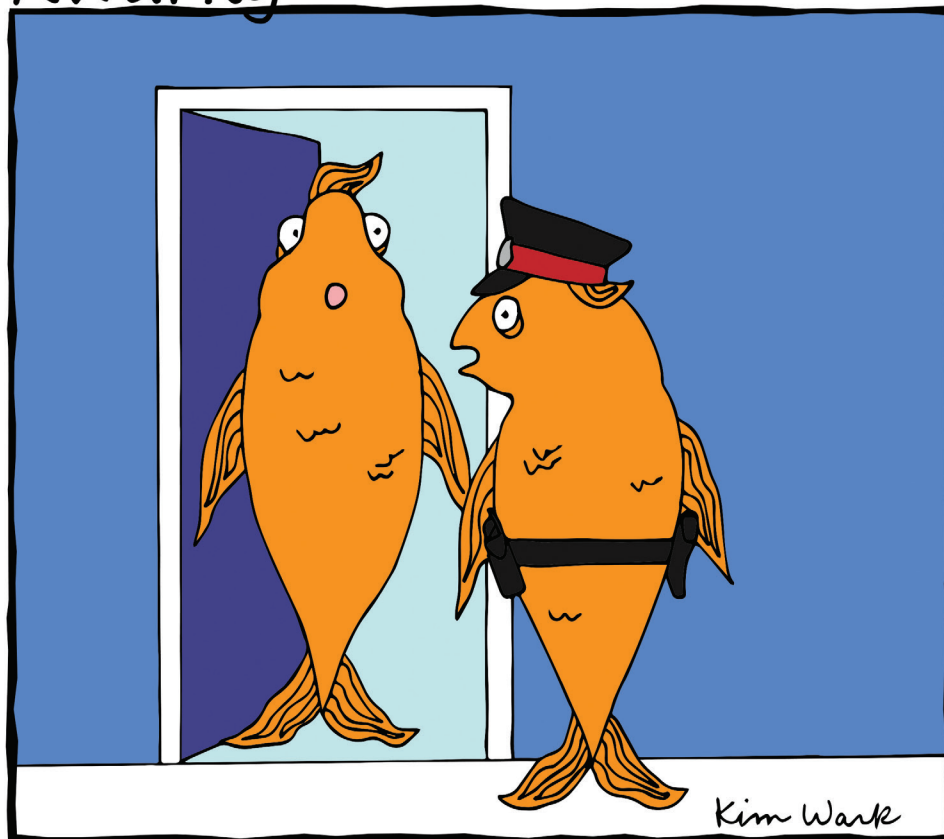
Movies, like books or music or any other form of art, are escapism. That's their magic. They transport us from what can be the doldrums of daily existence to somewhere else. And that's where a trip to Highlands Cinemas takes you. You're no longer on a hillside in a sleepy little town in Ontario cottage country. You are somewhere else.

Congratulations, Keith, on 40 years in business. And thank you for taking us all to the movies.



CHAD INGRAM
Reporter

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"Offishial business ma'am."

Just good to be outside

IF THERE IS one phrase that is over-used by those of us who enjoy the outdoors it is "You know, it's just good to be outside."

It is a small detail yet I believe this is predominantly why non-outdoorsy types think we are crazy. That's because sometimes it's difficult to believe that we mean it.

I have heard outdoorsmen and women use this phrase in frostbite inducing bitter cold, while in a canoe fighting whitecaps and gale force winds, on days when you could have fried an egg on your forehead and in times when you couldn't see the person next to you because of the swarms of black flies and mosquitoes. I've even heard people say it after inspecting the mess bears or raccoons made of their campsites, while lightning strikes were touching down all around and after kicking over a ground hornet's nest. And, that makes sense, but they also use the phrase when things get miserable.

For example, I once heard someone say "You know, it's just good to be outside" on the drive home. This would not have been so bad had he not been the only person who got skunked on a three-day fishing trip.

The point I am making is this is a phrase that, like just about anything an outdoorsman says, might not stand up under even the mildest of scrutiny.

Yes, it very often is just good to be outside and there are certain times when it makes sense to say so – for instance, right after chili night at hunt camp.

But there are also times when it's far better to be inside. For instance, when the grass needs mowing or the driveway needs shovelling. That's why no one has ever

muttered the words "You know, it's just good to be outside" while doing either of those things.

Also, if aliens were attacking the world and vaporizing anything that scurried across the landscape, it would probably be disingenuous to say "You know, it's just good to be outside." Even so, I'm sure there would be some outdoorsy type saying it as they were dodging laser beams. That's how ingrained it is in us.

That's because you need something to rationalize your reason for walking away

from the unnatural comforts of the couch, fridge, computer or TV – because, logically speaking, humans were designed to eat and conserve energy and those things are the ultimate in achieving this goal.

On the other hand, when you are outdoors you are typically burning energy, often because you are trying to avoid being eaten by mosquitoes, bears, crocodiles, wolves and the

like. So, logically, spending time outdoors makes no sense from an evolutionary perspective.

The thing that gets me most is that we never actually say it when things are really good. When we are catching fish, collecting game, swimming, hiking or generally having fun outside no one ever says, "You know, it's just good to be outside."

That's because it is understood and there is no need to convince anyone otherwise. Even so, the phrase has persisted over eons and has been uttered by countless humans who have endured intolerable conditions in the outdoors.

And, interestingly, no one has ever said, "You know, it's just good to be inside."

The reason is simple. Everyone knows it's just good to be outside.



STEVE GALEA
Beyond 35

IN OTHER WORDS

Columns and Letters to the Editor

Asking the critical question

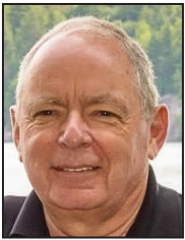
REALITY OFTEN is more brutal than fiction.

You realize that when reading *The Border*, the 2019 novel about the Mexican drug cartels and their American enablers.

It's a big book, too long at 716 paperback pages and with too many characters and side stories. It is a good book, however, that draws on real-life experiences from America's longest war – the hopelessly ineffective 50-year-old war on drugs.

It is a heartbreaking novel that lays bare the savagery of the drug cartels, the inhumanity of the drug pushers and the tragedies of the addicts.

It also shows graphically the hopelessness of law enforcement professionals and others on the front lines of a war that consumes them. They soldier on, but the war on drugs is effectively over and the drugs have won.



JIM POLING SR.

From Shaman's Rock

For all the novel's 300,000 words, one word is critically important: Why?

"What is the pain in the heart of American society that sends us searching for a drug to lessen it . . . ?" the novel's central character asks. "I don't have the answers but we must ask the real question – Why?"

Why did the wealthiest, once most influential and respected nation become the world's largest illegal drug user? A World Health Organization survey of 17 countries shows America with the highest level of cocaine and marijuana use.

The Centres for Disease Control and Prevention estimates that 72,287 people died from drug overdoses in the U.S. in 2017, a 10-per-cent increase in one year. There were an estimated 16,800 drug overdose deaths in 1999, so the four-fold plus increase over 20 years is stunning.

U.S. drug overdose deaths now outnumber deaths by gun violence and auto accidents.

Two hundred Americans dying every day of drug overdoses is a strong indicator of a nation in a death spiral. But the question remains: Why?

A start to finding the answer is found in the U.S. attitude toward shooting wars. For various reasons – some bad and some good – America gets into a lot of wars. And, history shows that since ancient times combat and drugs are comfortable bedfellows.

Cocaine was the drug of choice among combatants in the First World War. Amphetamines were taken in large numbers by front line troops in the Second World War.

During the Korean War the Pentagon handed out millions of Benzedrine pills to servicemen, some of whom made up their own "speed balls" by mixing heroin and amphetamine into an injectable mixture.

But drug use among American troops hit new highs during another lost war – Vietnam. The American military issued hundreds of millions of dextroamphetamine "go pills" to troops fighting the North Vietnamese. Researchers have estimated that 70 per cent of U.S. soldiers in Vietnam used some form of drugs in 1973, the year the U.S. was forced to retreat.

Drug use among American soldiers continued, and likely increased, during the Iraq and Afghanistan wars.

Many soldiers return from wars with drug dependence. One study done by the Drug Policy Alliance in New York shows tens of thousands of veterans in prisons and jails, a large percentage for drug-related offences.

Another answer to "Why" might be found in America's fading dream. The promises of equality for everyone and opportunities for all have been left unfulfilled.

Immigration control, crumbling infrastructure and a growing chasm between super haves and growing numbers of have nots are among challenges depressing the national spirit. The challenges are not being overcome, or even effectively addressed, because of political polarization creating two opposing Americas.

There is a lesson in all this for Canada, which has its own serious and growing drug problem.

Canadian government agencies tend to jumble and confuse statistics, but the Public Health Agency reported an increase in opioid overdose deaths of almost 36 per cent in 2017 over 2016. There appears to have been another increase – of almost 10 per cent – in 2018.

There likely are many answers to the question of why drugs are destroying American and Canadian societies. Another critical question is how stop it. The answer is simple: end the political partisanship madness and work together to end this crisis.

That won't be easy because as *The Border* novel implies, the tentacles of the drug trade reach into high financial circles, and governments.

Barefoot in the park

YESTERDAY I kicked my shoes off and walked home, on city streets, barefoot. A huge thunderstorm had just moved through the area. I had been wearing Birkenstock sandals that got wet when I cut across a park. If you wear Birks you know that they feel kind of gross when they get wet. Thanks to the rain the paved path and the sidewalk on my route were cooler than they had been earlier in the day. So, I did it. I kicked off the shoes and wandered on home.

I cannot begin to tell you how amazing it felt. As I have written in a previous article ("Unshoe" your feet) I was not a fan of barefoot anything. I always wore shoes. I believed wearing shoes with good arch support, all of the time, was the key to a healthy body. I did admit in that article that I was wrong. For the last year I have been barefoot as much as possible. One day I even tried walking on our ice covered deck to see how it would feel. I didn't learn anything new. It was cold. However, spending more time barefoot has toughened up my feet. I really noticed that during yesterday's walk of freedom.

One of the main things I did think about was all of the nasty stuff I could be walking on. I was careful with my steps. Watching for glass or other hazards. The benefit far outweighed the risk. This is going to sound extreme but it was like every step was a bit of a symphony. My feet ex-

perienced total movement. There was zero restriction of the 26 bones, 33 joints and over 100 muscles, tendons and ligaments that make up each foot. The sensation of each step lit up parts of my brain that almost lie dormant when the only stimulation is the inside of a sock or shoe.

More and more I am embracing the barefoot movement that is happening now. Not because it's cool or hip but because it makes sense. We cannot expect our bodies to be strong and resilient if the main part of our foundation isn't. Locking our feet up in restrictive footwear is the worse thing we can do. Going shoeless is not always an option but there are ways to keep our feet strong. More and more the shoe companies

are changing the design of the shoes they are producing to help us get through those times when we have to cover up without compromising our foot health.

When you can, go barefoot. If it's not something you do on a regular basis start with a few minutes at a time. It takes some getting used to but it is totally worth the effort. Walking barefoot is like a foot massage in motion!

Something to think about.

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LAURIE SWEIG

Practical Fitness

Love Your Lake

The Lake Kashagawigamog Organization is hosting a half-day seminar called Love Your Lake.

The purpose of this event is to highlight the many factors that have a significant effect on lake health and what we can do to protect and enhance the quality of our lakes. With confirmed reports last year of blue-green algae in Haliburton County lakes, there is no time like the present to learn how to take action.

The event will take place Saturday, July 20, at the Minden Hills Community Centre beginning at 9 a.m. Speakers will include Rob Davis and Mike Rahme: Mysteries of

your septic system; Julia Sutton: Naturalized shorelines and the use of native plants; and Alexandre Walsh: Recognition, prevention and control of invasive plant and animal species. There will also be a number of vendor booths.

The event is free for LKO members, tickets are \$15 and admission is \$20 at the door.

You can register online at ww.lko.ca. For more information or to register personally call Jim Bertram at 705-457-4697 or email treasurer@lko.ca or call Wendy Hampson at 705-286-6770 or email membership@lko.ca.

DVD of the Month - July



I Kill Giants with Zoe Saldana & Madison Wolfe

Teenager Barbara Thorston (Madison Wolfe) is a bit odd. She's a fierce and independent loner, and even when a new girl in town shows interest in becoming a friend, Barbara remains aloof. What no one knows, however, is that Barbara is the only thing that stands between her small coastal town and its terrible destruction at the hands of monstrous giants. As she boldly fights these demons in increasingly dangerous ways, Barbara's school counsellor, Mrs. Mollé (Zoe Saldana), intervenes, and leads her to question everything she's always believed to be true.

Directed by Harry Potter's Chris Columbus, *I Kill Giants* is a powerful and bittersweet coming-of-age tale about a young girl battling monsters, both real and imagined, and who, in order to triumph, must face her greatest fear. It is available at the Haliburton County Public Library.

250 moth species found in one night

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bright on the faces of the participants and specialists alike.

Our guide for the morning, local naturalist, Ed Poropat, (who kindly agreed to add the technical meat to this writing) welcomed the group and described the activities that we were witnessing. Tucked behind the small cottage near the entrance to the property was a small group of folks sorting and photographing specimens. There were scores of clear medicine bottles, each containing a single moth alive and well. Scattered around the grass were several large wooden boxes and plastic tubs.

In the shade near the cabin was David Beadle, meticulously setting up his camera and make-shift stage to get the perfect photograph of yet another interesting moth. David has been mothing for over 20 years in North America and for years before that in his native England. An excellent, all-round naturalist, he is well known in the province and beyond as the co-author of the *Peterson Field Guide to the Moths*. (Beadle, David and Seabrooke Leckie, Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Publishing Company, New York: 2012)

Around him, emptying traps, releasing moths, photographing, or recording data were the other members of the team, all passionate moth aficionados: Dennis Barry and Margaret Carney (who graciously donated the Fred and Pearl Barry Wetland property to the Land Trust), Mike King, Phill Holder, Mike McEvoy, and Phil Reyenga. Open almost any nature magazine, and there is a good chance you will see one of their photos. All are amazing photographers and knowl-

edgeable naturalists.

Every few minutes, someone would yell out, “Newly released moths on the trunk of that large maple!” The announcement was followed by a mad dash to the tree and a few seconds of silence while we searched for the critters. “Here’s one – it looks like a lichen.” “Look at the size of this one.” “Over here. There is one that matches the bark.”

“And this one is the shape of a Delta-wing fighter jet.”

A deep voice behind me whispered, almost reverently, “It’s a Luna moth. I have always wanted to see a Luna moth.”

As excited as we all were viewing the moths, it was time to move into the cottage for a short slide presentation. We squeezed together on the assorted stools and chairs and learned the basics of the world of moths.

Ed began by sharing information on how to separate moths from butterflies by examining the antennae (clubbed in butterflies and thread-like or feathery in moths). He mentioned how diverse butterflies and moths are in the insect world (about 180,000 species), being the second most diverse group behind beetles. Remarkably, moths comprise up to 95 per cent of this massive group. In Haliburton County, for example, we have 90 different kinds of butterflies. With only a sampling of data over the past few years, there have already been over 800 species of moths recorded!

Ed continued, speaking about how moths are able to defend themselves, using camouflage or bright colours and spots to surprise potential predators. Some are even able to detect bat echolocation signals and possibly even “jamming” these signals or creating “ghost images” in space to confuse the at-



Cecropia on tree branch at the Haliburton Highlands Land Trust Magnificent Moths event at Barnum Creek Reserve. /BELINDA GALLAGHER Special to the Times

tacking bats. He addressed how important moths are ecologically. They not only provide food for a myriad of creatures, but they take over from bees, wasps, and butterflies as the “night shift” pollinators for many plants. Some species even rely exclusively on certain moths for pollination. Although some moths are known to be destructive, countless more are extremely beneficial to both us and our environment.

Back outside, we were now drawn to the medicine bottles with an amplified sense of curiosity. No longer were moths those brown little things that eat sweaters and tents. These winged-wonders belonged to a big, big family and overnight these experts had collected an amazing selection, from the minute Parornix Leaf Blotch Miner (4mm) to the largest native moth found in Ontario, the splendid giant *Cecropia* silkworm moth (150mm).

An astounding 250-plus species were captured in a single night of live trapping (they’re still combing through pictures to identify some, so the list may grow). Of these, over 50 different kinds were new to the county inventory. As impressive as that may sound, it is also indicative of the knowledge gaps that still exist in the region. After all, who’s looking? On Beadle’s last visit to the county, for example, he discovered a moth new to Ontario within a kilometre of Haliburton village. What else is out there?

Just when we thought the morning could not get better, the next announcement echoed out, “We are opening one of the live traps.”

Live trapping is David Beadle’s rule. The night before, the moth collectors rolled out extension cords and plugged in light traps in several different directions from the cabin. These traps are essentially covered boxes filled with loosely stacked egg cartons. A bright bulb attracts the moths, and they buzz around the trap. Below the bulb is a funnel that directs moths downward into the trap, where they settle into the egg cartons for the night. In the morning, the traps are emptied, each carton scanned carefully, and every type of moth diligently recorded. If a moth is particularly fresh, or if it is rare



Egg cartons are used in the live trap for moths. /Belinda Gallagher Special to the Times

and hasn’t been photographed by some of the team, it is carefully placed into a clear pill bottle so it can be photographed later during the morning.

The lid was lifted and Beadle reached into the trap and gently removed the first of many egg carton sections.

I must admit that I dislike the word “awesome” as the word is rarely used accurately to describe a sense of awe. In this case, it was awesome! As the egg carton was rotated, a finger was pointed at each resting moth, providing a description, species name and scale of rarity. Occasionally, a moth was “bottled” and sent to the photography tables. “The guys will want this one.”

It took about 15 minutes for the bucket to be emptied. There was a deafening silence as we all absorbed the wonder we had witnessed.

One of the donors of the Barnum Creek property, Margaret Dobrzensky leaned close to me and said, “What a wonderful event, I didn’t think so many would come to see moths.” As I paused to answer, I heard a comment from another participant – “I thought there would be a hundred more!”

Perhaps this writing will inspire you to attend a Land Trust Discovery Day, or at the very least, take a second look at the magnificent moths in your own back yard.

The next Haliburton Highlands Land Trust Discovery Days – Marvelous Mushrooms - will be held at Barnum Creek Nature Reserve on Saturday, Aug. 24. For details go to <https://www.haliburtonlandtrust.ca>.

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Music by the Gull returns

Above, the Country Hot Flashes performed at Music by the Gull in Minden on Friday, July 5. The annual music series features outdoor performances by local musicians at the corner of Water Street and Bobcaygeon Road each Friday evening. This Friday, Custom Blend will take to the street. Music is from 7 to 8:30 p.m. /CHAD INGRAM Staff



Right, bassist Ed McDowell of the Country Hot Flashes holds down the low end during the band's performance.

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COUNTYNEWS

Riding needs voice in government, candidate says

by **CHAD INGRAM**
Times Staff

It was at least in part the rise of right-wing populism in North America during the past few years that urged Judi Forbes to make her foray into the political realm.

Referencing “the regressive policies and divisive politics that we have seen, certainly south of the border, and in certain provinces in Canada,” Forbes, the newly minted Liberal candidate for Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock for the October federal election, explains she decided it was time to put in her name on the ballot.

She first ran to be the regional councillor for Brock township during the 2018 municipal elections. While she didn’t win the seat, “I feel I ran a good campaign,” Forbes says, adding she believes it was her municipal campaign that attracted the attention of the local Liberal riding association. She was acclaimed as the Liberal candidate during a nomination meeting in Lindsay in late June.

“I’ve always been interested in politics,” Forbes says, with

the pressures of building a career and raising a family taking up most of her time until recent years.

Forbes’s career was in finance, including positions as a senior bank manager, largely in Toronto and southern Durham Region.

“I worked in a lot of different areas in finance in my career,” she says.

Forbes, who lived in the Don Mills area for 25 years, retired to Lake Simcoe near Beaverton eight years ago, and runs a bed and breakfast there. She holds a BA from McMaster University, is the chairwoman of the board of a local nursing home, sits on the Brock Board of Trade, and in the past has volunteered with such organizations as Habitat for Humanity, Engineers Without Borders, the Oshawa Senior Citizens Centres, Juvenile Diabetes Foundation and the Cancer Society.

Forbes has begun having conversations with residents of the constituency, including some in Haliburton County.

“There is a lot of concern there about climate change and the devastating effects of it,” she says, referencing what has been becoming regular and severe spring flooding. She touts the Liberals’ climate change plan, which includes the carbon pricing or “carbon tax” the Ford government has been fighting

against, and stresses that action on climate change comes down to changing individual behaviours.

Referencing the \$71 million contribution the Trudeau government confirmed last week it would make to the Eastern Ontario Regional Network to greatly enhance cellular broadband connectivity throughout the area, Forbes said it would be crucially important for local economic development.

“People are concerned about the lack of good jobs,” she says, adding, “I’m tired of seeing young people have to move out of this riding to find good, quality jobs.”

The \$71 million contribution matches \$71 million the provincial government approved for the project in its spring budget.

Increased connectivity will provide opportunities for start-ups in the riding.

“I think there’s so much potential to have green initiatives start up here,” Forbes says. “Why can’t we have one of those start-ups happen here, in this riding?”

She also believes the riding’s natural beauty could be better utilized to attract more visitors and businesses.

“I think there’s incredible opportunity that isn’t being leveraged here,” she says.

Forbes also says the riding needs a stronger voice in Ottawa, and one that will be part of the new government.

“I believe this riding needs to have a voice in Ottawa with the party that will be in power, and I believe that party will be the Liberals.”

The Forbes campaign is seeking volunteers, and anyone interested can call the campaign office at 705-702-4798, or visit www.liberal.ca to register.

Forbes will challenge incumbent Conservative MP Jamie Schmale, along with NDP candidate Barbara Doyle, in the Oct. 21 election.

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A long-awaited announcement that the federal government will contribute funding to the Eastern Ontario Regional Network's cell gap project took place last week, meaning all the funding is in place, and the project can proceed.

It will provide mobile, broadband internet to areas of eastern Ontario that currently have no or poor service. This includes swaths of Haliburton County. A federal contribution of \$71 million will match the \$71 million that was included in this spring's provincial budget. With a total project cost of \$213 million, \$10 million will come from the municipalities that comprise the Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus (of which Haliburton County is one), and the remaining \$61 million from the mobile service provider companies.

County Warden Liz Danielsen, along with other regional leaders, was in Bancroft for the funding announcement from MP Mike Bossio on July 4.

"This project has been a long time in the making, and we have literally been waiting for funding to come through from both upper levels of government for almost two years," Danielsen said in an email to the *Times*. "To have the federal government's commitment of \$71 million is the final piece in place for the project to proceed that will be a terrific boon not only for Haliburton County but for all of eastern Ontario. The hard work that has been done over the years by the Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus, the Eastern Ontario Regional Network board and their extraordinary staff is what has driven this project and will go a long way to improve not only safety for drivers on the road and emergency services, but offer many digital economic opportunities over the next few years. Rest assured that despite the success of this project, both the EOWC and EORN will continue to pursue additional opportunities to further improve connectivity across eastern Ontario, and more particularly for the residents and visitors of Haliburton County."

The County of Haliburton will contribute up to \$565,000 to the project.

Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock MP Jamie Schmale said the project will enhance economic development opportunities in the

riding, as well as increase community safety.

"Residents and businesses in eastern Ontario would benefit from improved access to online services which allow people to connect with friends, family, business, and community organizations," Schmale said in a press release. "Most importantly, this proposal will save lives by ensuring cellular access to emergency services in remote areas and improving public safety by connecting all first responders on a dedicated network."

While he's glad to see the funding, Schmale also had criticism for the Trudeau government in taking so long to confirm it, noting the announcement was made just months before the fall's federal election.

"I have been talking about the need to fill the gaps in internet and cellular coverage since being first elected in 2015 as people and businesses in rural communities struggle with reduced access to vital connectivity," Schmale said. "While today's announcement is a positive step forward, it also is met with frustration, as the government has had the EORN project application on their desk for over two years with little-to-no movement."

The project is to include the construction of 317 new telecommunications towers, as well as 32 local internet access points, throughout eastern Ontario. It will also identify gap areas, areas of heavier use, and upgrade equipment to reduce network overloads.

According to EORN, which is owned by the wardens' caucus, 40 per cent of the area currently does not have enough capacity to access high-definition services that allow for streaming HD video; 20 per cent of the area does not have enough capacity for standard definition video, typical mobile app use and video app calling; and 10 per cent of the area has no voice call service.

The project's goal is to virtually eliminate cell gaps, providing service to 99 per cent of the areas where it is currently non-existent or poor. This includes all areas where people live or work, but not in uninhabited areas such as forests or swamps.

According to EORN, the increased connectivity is expected to create more than 3,000 jobs and generate more than \$420 million in private business revenue during the next decade. It is hoped that construction on the project will begin in spring of 2020, and it is expected to take three to four years to complete.

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Minden's Festival of the August Moon is cancelled for this summer, but organizers are hoping to renew the popular event next year.

The bottom line is it requires more volunteers, and preferably some younger blood.

"We really need to rejuvenate ourselves," says Heather Ross, chairwoman of the festival's organizing committee, adding it was a shame to have to cancel. "It's just such a lovely sight at night."

Based on a Japanese ritual, the festival includes the painting of paper lanterns in memory of loved ones, which are then floated down the Gull River at dusk on the evening of the first full moon in August. The annual

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We need people on the committee.

— ORGANIZER HEATHER ROSS

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event also typically includes a number of activities on the lawn of the Wild Swan B&B, such as children's games, folk stories, a tea ceremony, music, tai chi and karate demonstrations, and traditional Japanese dancing.

This would have been the ninth year for the festival, which just needs more volunteers to make it happen.

"We're simply having a drop off in volunteers," Ross says. "We're all getting older."

She explains that health and energy issues among the volunteer base were what led to the cancellation of this year's event. The festival is financially sound, its two main sponsors in the past having been Subaru and Kawartha Credit Union.

"Our sponsors have been great," Ross says, explaining they essentially cover the overhead costs.

"We need people on the committee," she says, adding the committee needs to consist of seven or eight people in order to divvy up responsibilities and have them performed adequately.

In addition to the committee, she says there's a requirement for at least five or six additional people to assist with set-up and take-down on the day of the festival.

"We need bodies, and we need those bodies to have muscles," Ross says.

The festival will put out a call for volunteers for next year in early 2020. Ross says along with new volunteers, organizers are also looking to expand the event with new ideas.

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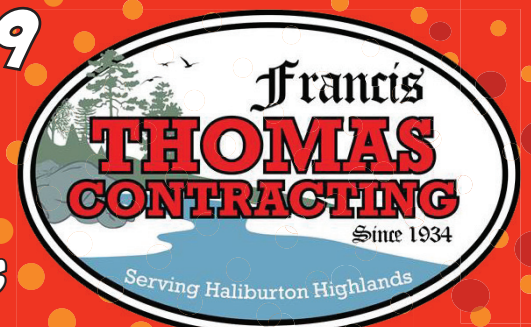


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Ironman triathlon passes through Dorset

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The 2019 Subaru Ironman Muskoka 70.3 was once again a huge success. The Dorset water station is normally located at the yard on 117 across from Bacher Construction but with the bridge work being done at Marsh's Falls in Dwight, the bike route was a bit dif-

ferent this year and last, so the water station was set up just past the Narrows Road. The number of volunteers was down a bit this year but the ones who did come out to help did an excellent job!

There were a couple of accidents at the water station but everyone involved ended up hopping back on their bikes and continuing the race.

What most of us see every day during the summer months is the cyclists on the roads. Some are training for events like the Ironman and some do it for the exercise. What we tend

to forget when we see them is that these people aren't only cycling, they're also swimming and running a half marathon! Some time when you have a minute, google "training for an Ironman" and you'll be blown away by what these athletes go through and what the cost is. While everyone has their own opinion, these athletes deserve much respect for doing what they do.

Many thanks to the volunteers and the organizers of this event. Not just in Dorset but all over Muskoka. Without you, this wouldn't be possible year after year.

The annual Kids Fish Derby took place this past weekend on the town docks. There were 44 children who participated and everyone left with a goodie bag and a prize. Families started arriving just before 9 a.m. and lots of fish, both big and small, were caught. Everyone had a great time and the weather was absolutely perfect! Thank you to all the volunteers, sponsors and prize donors.

Happy birthday to Ursula Bryant, Ted Hope, Jesse Ryan and Scott Crewson. For birthdays and submissions please send them to burgesslt@me.com.



Volunteers made sure competitors in Ironman Muskoka were well hydrated as they made their way through Dorset. /Photo courtesy of Lee Ross



Perfect weather greeted young anglers in this year's Kids Fish Derby at the town docks in Dorset.

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The Halls Island Artist Residency Committee is thrilled that the new and innovative program in Haliburton County is up and running.

The first artist to stay at Halls Island Artist Residency, Ryan Kasperowitsch,

completed his stay in late June. On June 27, Kasperowitsch presented his thoughts on outdoor education and experiences as they relate to watercolour painting. He is an avid outdoorsman and also a doctoral student at Brock University. A large group of summer

staff were present for his session at YMCA Camp Wanakita. The young audience had many very thought provoking and relevant contributions to the open discussion following his talk. Kasperowitsch also generously donated a framed watercolour painting to



Ryan Kasperowitsch with his watercolour painting which was donated to YMCA Camp Wanakita.

Camp Wanakita’s fundraising auction which helps send kids to camp.

Brooke Manning, the second artist benefiting from this new program, will be creating a community poem as her community engagement piece. There are journals located at five Haliburton County Public Library branches and one at Fleming College. Anyone who happens upon a journal is encouraged to enter thoughts, ideas, musings or whatever they feel at the time, into the journals. The books will be relocated to new settings for the month of August. At the end of the summer, Brooke will use these entries to create a community poem. Organizers are already anticipating something new and exciting as her end result.

The third community engagement session will take place at the Haliburton Highlands Museum on Sunday, July 14 from 2 to 4 p.m. Admission is by donation. Anna Swanson and April White will offer a poetry reading and artist talk based on their collaborative project “The Garbage Poems.” Swanson and White will each present their own work from this project and discuss how they came together to work on it.

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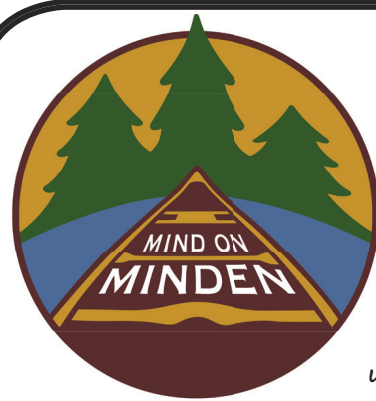


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Floating through summer

Far left, Anne Redfern submitted this photo of two luna moths on the outside of her cottage on Horseshoe Lake. She says at first she thought the moth was a leaf.

Left, Emily Parish was taking a photo of Twelve Mile Lake when she got the most beautiful kind of photo-bomb from a passing butterfly.

Below left, Gail Leach-Wunker saw this beauty on lilacs at the Kinmount Library last month.

Below right, Joy Cinq-Mars took this photo of a tiger swallowtail butterfly visiting her backyard plants on Little Bob Lake in Minden Hills, June 19.



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Early learning centre marks first year in Minden

by HANAH HOWLETT MCFARLANE
Compass Early Learning & Care

June 25 was the first anniversary of Minden Compass Early Learning and Care. To mark the occasion, we travelled up to visit and to learn more about what makes Minden such a special part of our organization. Of course, being surrounded by the beautiful rolling hills, we had to start outside. Our tour began on the toboggan hill which was about a five-minute walk away from the child care centre. This is also close to where the children and educators built a shelter in the winter for a picnic and outdoor story time.

As we explored the area, the program and pedagogy lead Kinga told us, “We have a rule which is, if you can get on it, then you can go up.” Children are encouraged to explore the area, including climbing trees, but if they can’t quite get up on the branches, they are not ready to climb the tree. As we continued to the bottom of the hill, we came across a large boulder and Kinga told us, “I have several children’s paintings and drawings that show their memories are all here. I had one child draw that big stone, but in amazing colours. We studied it and when I asked the child she told me, ‘that’s you, and we are all in the forest, and there’s that big rock.’ A lot of them have had successes because they thought they could climb up on it, but they had to try, try, and try again.” By



Left, Ryan Heath, HR assistant with Compass Early Learning & Care, and Kinga Baricz, the Compass ELC-Minden program lead. /Photo submitted

sticking to these guidelines, they find that children explore their surroundings in age-appropriate ways, within their abilities, and feel a sense of satisfaction and accomplishment in achieving their goals, even if it takes weeks or months of practice.

You can see the passion as Kinga takes us further down the trail and into the woods, and shows us how they harvest wild mushrooms and strawberries, and all kinds of wild

edibles. Her passion translates into the children’s passion. “Whatever knowledge I have, I just give it up. And the kids are just like sponges. They pick up everything.”

As we reflect on the value of being able to explore such an amazing place right beyond their fence line, Kinga explains that our educators find that children are cooperative and respectful, sensing their own sense of freedom and competence as they explore their surroundings.

Kinga feels a lot of support for outdoors since joining Compass ELC. Many of the philosophies of children learning outdoors echo her own. “We try to plan more for out-

doors than indoors, as much as we can.” As Kinga modelled the benefits of spending lots of time outdoors, even colleagues who weren’t as outdoorsy have grown to love it, as they have witnessed happy children who are sleeping well and eating well.

When asked to reflect on the past year, Kinga explains, “the way we are treated by Compass is – there are no words. When people come to work because they want to be there, and when everybody loves the place they work, and be happy, it shows.” She touched on the sense of support she and the

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Maple Beech Cameron (MBC) Lakes Area Property Association AGM

When: Sat. July 13, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.
Where: Stanhope Firefighters Community Hall, 1095 North Shore Road

MBC is pleased to include guest speakers Doug Norris, Director Abbey Garden Retreat and Ted Smith from the Coalition for Equitable Water Flow as part of our AGM. Come have a coffee with your neighbours and get an update on MBC's activities. New members are always welcome.

Canning Lake Association-AGM

When: Sunday, July 14, 10 a.m.
Where: Rigney's Roost

Halls Island Artist Residency Community Sessions

Poetry Reading and Artist Talk with Anna Swanson and April White
When: Sunday July 14, 2 to 4 p.m.

Where: Haliburton Museum, 66 Museum Rd, Haliburton, On

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7th Annual Tall Pine Tales

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When: Wednesday, July 17, 5:30 to 9 p.m.

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When: July 20 at 7 p.m. and July 21 at 2 p.m.

Where: Haliburton Highlands Museum

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Plenty of outdoor play at Compass

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staff feel from connections with Compass ELC including access to rich professional development, administrative support, leadership opportunities, coaching and mentoring, as well as opportunities to engage in deep, critical dialogue with peers across the organization. Every decision made at Compass ELC is based on what is best for children, and Kinga obviously believes this deeply as she describes her leadership approach that includes kindness, and viewing staff and children as capable and competent.



Minden Compass Early Learning and Care. /Photo submitted



PUBLIC NOTICE

Applicant: Small
Lot 20, Concession 3, Beech Lake
Geographic Township of Stanhope

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Algonquin Highlands has declared part of the original shore road allowance lying in front of Lot 20, Concession 3, Beech Lake, in the Geographic Township of Stanhope, in the Township of Algonquin Highlands, County of Haliburton, to be surplus.

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Municipal Corporation of the Township of Algonquin Highlands proposes to enact a By-Law to stop-up, close and convey to the abutting property owner(s) that part of the original shore road allowance lying in front of Lot 20, Concession 3, Beech Lake, described as all and singular that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate, lying and being in the Geographic Township of Stanhope, in the County of Haliburton and being composed of the following:

FIRSTLY:

THAT part of the original shore road allowance in front of Lot 20, Concession 3, described as Part 1 on a Plan deposited in the Registry Office for the Registry Division of Haliburton County as Plan 19R-10256.

The proposed By-Law will come before the said Council for consideration at its regular meeting at the Algonquin Highlands Municipal Office, 1123 North Shore Road, on the **18th day of July, 2019** and at that time, the Council will hear in person or by his/her counsel, solicitor or agent any person who claims that his/her land will be prejudicially affected and who applies to be heard. Any person who wishes to be heard by Council regarding this proposed closure must contact the C.A.O./ Deputy Clerk to schedule a delegation with Council.

Dated: July 11, 2019

Angie Bird
C.A.O./Deputy Clerk
Township of Algonquin Highlands
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Kinga Baricz, the Compass ELC-Minden program lead, gives a tour of the forest outside the centre. / Photo submitted

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The above noted plans of surveys are available for inspection in the Building and Planning Department located at 7 Milne Street, Minden, Ontario during regular office hours. Additional information may be obtained by contacting the undersigned at 705-286-1260 (x206) or by e-mail at iclendening@minden-hills.ca.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that the proposed By-Laws will come before the said Council for consideration, and if deemed advisable for passing, at its regular meeting to be held in the Municipal Council Chambers at 7 Milne Street, Minden, Ontario, on Thursday, July 25, 2019 at the hour of 9:00 AM At that time, Council will hear in person or by their counsel, solicitor, or agent, any person who claims that their land will be prejudicially affected and who applies to be heard.

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Debbie loves to be in, on or around water especially on the Kennisis River where her family cottage of 40+ years is located. Since 2015, she has been working at Kawartha Conservation in the role of the Water Quality Specialist and has been working in the field of water quality since 2008. Previously, Debbie taught at Lakehead University in Orillia as a Laboratory Instructor and Contract Lecturer. She holds a M.Sc. (Biology) a B.Ed., and an HBASc in Interdisciplinary studies. She is a strong proponent of citizen science and looks forward to working with the Coalition of Haliburton Property Owner's Association.



**THE C.H.A. IS
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ANNOUNCE THAT
SUSAN VORVIS
HAS JOINED
OUR BOARD
OF DIRECTORS**

Susan recently moved to the Village of Haliburton after cottaging with her husband Paul on Growler Lake for 15 years. She was the Lake Steward on Growler.

She enjoys her dogs, hiking, traveling, entertaining, and being involved in the community.

Susan retired after 34 years with the Toronto Police Service as a Strategic Planner, with experience in research, project management and program evaluation. Susan is awed by the beauty of this county and is happy to have the opportunity to help protect the lakes that make it beautiful.



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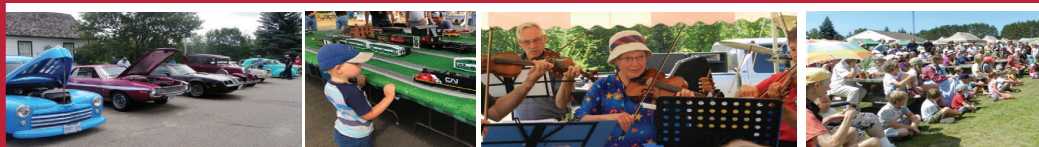
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In Loving Memory of
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Joanne passed away in her sleep, with Ron and Craig and Russell at her side, at the Haliburton Hospital palliative care ward on Sunday afternoon, June 30, 2019.

Beloved wife of Ron Bobbie for 52 years. Loving mother of Craig (Sophie) and Russell (Mellissa). Doting grandmother to Mia and Taylor and Titziana. Dear sister of Joyce, Shirley, Arvella and Dorothy. Lovingly remembered by all her nieces, nephews, family and friends.

Joanne's long and caring career as a registered nurse in Kitchener, London and Toronto earned her the affection and appreciation of her many patients and fellow nurses.

Friends are invited to visit the family at the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., 127 Bobcaygeon Rd., P.O. Box 427, Minden K0M 2K0 on Saturday, July 13, 2019 from 11:00 am until the time of the Memorial Service at 1:00 pm. Reception following will be held at the Monk-Cray Family Centre at the funeral home.

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ROCKIN' AND ROLLIN': Children's entertainer David Archibald kept on rolling Friday night as the featured performer at the Music by the Gull free concert. Much to the delight of the youngsters, he opened the evening wheeling through the audience on roller blades as he sang and played the guitar. The evening also included a fund-raising hot dog barbecue which

garnered close to \$800 for the Hospitals building projects. Unfortunately, due to a sudden rain storm, the performance was cut short. Music by the Gull will not be on this Friday, because of the Heineken Yard which will take place on Main Street July 30. The free concerts return August 6 with vocalist Zoe Chilco.

Board will offer adult education program

The "Three R's" are becoming accessible to Haliburton County residents young and old this fall, as the first adult education centre is opened at the former Victoria Street School in Haliburton.

Earlier in the spring, the Trillium Lakelands District School Board decided to implement the adult education program in Haliburton County. Part of the board's mandate is to ensure that programs are available to all three former districts. Adult education has been offered in Victoria County for four and a half years and in Muskoka District for five and a half years.

Laura Willis will be co-ordinating the Haliburton

Look for us Tuesday next week

Due to the Civic Holiday next Monday, the next edition of The Times will be published on Tuesday August 3. Classified and display advertising deadline remain the same, Thursday at noon and 4 p.m. respectively. The Times staff hope you have an enjoyable and safe holiday weekend.



Laura Willis and Bob Smith unwrap some of the computers at the Victoria Street School, the future site of the Highlands Community Learning Centre.

County courses, which will focus on math, English and science skills. The courses are open to everyone, but, it is expected students will use opportunity to gain credits to earn a secondary school diploma. Willis has been a teacher at HHSS for almost 25 years.

The process of organizing and setting up the adult education centre is in its infancy, and Willis has begun meeting with Adult Education Principal Greg Einarson and Vice-Principal Ward Levine to iron out the problems encountered in setting up a totally new program. Everyone is confident that the programs will open by some time in September.

The expansion of the educational mandate of the school board has also created a partnership within the community as the Victoria Street School will be the home for the Sir Sandford Fleming College Academic upgrading program, headed by Bob Smith.

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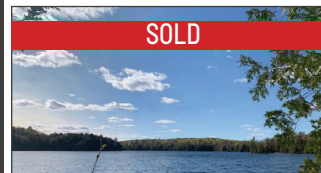
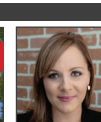



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